

AMENDMENT TO CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A sidewall assembly for a transporting vehicle comprising

at least one outer flat side sheet having an inner surface [[wall]] extending along a longitudinal axis,

a plurality of vertical side posts being affixed to said at least one outer side sheet in spaced relationship along said inner surface [[wall]], said side posts having a flat inner wall lying in spaced relationship to said inner surface [[wall]] of said at least one side sheet,

said side posts further having a pair of bent edge sections lying on opposite vertical sides of said flat inner wall, said bent edge segments projecting from said flat inner wall toward said at least one said side sheet and, said bent edge sections having an edge terminating in spaced relationship to said inner surface [.]

a plurality of liners respectively extending between adjacent side posts, said liners having a flat central portion forming a generally flat interior face, [[and]]

said liners having vertical side portions extending on opposite vertical sides of said central portion respectively for interconnecting with said bent edge ~~sections~~ portions of said side posts and said vertical side portions respectively extending beyond said edge [[end]] to cover at least a portion of said bent edge sections, and

said flat inner wall of said side post forms an inner face substantially lying in the same vertical plane as said flat interior face of said liner.

2. (previously presented) The sidewall assembly according to Claim 1 wherein a surface of said flat central portion of said liners confronts said inner surface of said at least one side sheet and lies in spaced relationship to said at least one side sheet.

3. (original) The sidewall assembly according to Claim 1 wherein said inner wall of said side posts is formed by an intermediate generally hat-shaped section of said side posts.

4. (currently amended) A sidewall assembly for a transporting vehicle comprising at least one outer flat side sheet having an inner surface extending along a longitudinal axis,

a plurality of vertical side posts being affixed to said at least one outer side sheet in spaced relationship along said inner surface wall, said side posts having a flat inner wall lying in spaced relationship to said inner surface wall of said at least one side sheet, said side posts further having a pair of bent edge sections lying on opposite vertical sides of said flat inner wall, said bent edge sections projecting from said flat inner wall toward said at least one said side sheet and, said bent edge sections having an edge terminating in spaced relationship to said inner surface,

a plurality of liners respectively extending between adjacent side posts, said liners having a flat central portion forming a generally flat interior face,

said liners having vertical side portions extending on opposite vertical sides of said central portion respectively for interconnecting with said bent edge sections of said

side posts and said vertical side portions respectively extending beyond said edge to cover at least a portion of said bent edge sections.

said inner wall of said side posts is formed by an intermediate generally hat-shaped section of said side posts, and

~~The sidewall assembly according to Claim 3 wherein~~ said hat-shaped section includes a pair of lateral sections segments integrally joined in perpendicular relationship on opposite vertical sides of said inner surface wall of said at least one on side post.
~~sheet.~~

5. (currently amended) The sidewall assembly according to Claim 4 wherein said bent edge sections ~~segments~~ of said side posts are respectively formed by generally edge hat-shaped sections partially including said bent edge sections ~~segments~~.

6. (previously submitted) The sidewall assembly according to Claim 5 wherein said edge hat-shaped sections include a base wall lying in generally flush relationship with said inner surface of said at least one side sheet.

7. (currently amended) The sidewall assembly according to Claim 6 further comprising a plurality of mechanical fasteners extending through said base wall of each of said side posts and said at least one on side sheet ~~of each said side posts~~.

8. (cancelled)

9. (cancelled)

10. (cancelled)

11. (cancelled)

12. (cancelled)

13. (cancelled)

14. (currently amended) The sidewall assembly according to Claim 1 wherein the edge of said bent edge sections of said side posts contacts the vertical side portions of said liner.

15 (cancelled)

16 (currently amended) The sidewall assembly according to Claim 6 [[14]] wherein said vertical ~~opposite edge~~ side portions of said liner lie in spaced relationship respectively to said base wall of said edge hat-shaped sections of said side posts, said ~~opposite edge~~ vertical side portions of said liners respectively having at least one projection having an end extending in contact with said base wall ~~surface~~.

17. (cancelled)

18. (cancelled)

19 (cancelled)

20. (cancelled)

21.(currently amended) The sidewall assembly according to Claim 16 [[18]] further including at least one projection ~~protuberance~~ extending between said central portion of said liner and said inner surface of said at least one side sheet.

22 (previously presented) The sidewall assembly according to Claim 16 further including foam means being positioned between said central portion of said liner and said inner surface of said at least one side sheet.

23. (cancelled)

24 (cancelled)

25 (currently amended) A side wall assembly for a vehicle having an outer side wall comprising

side post means extending vertically along an inner surface of the outer side wall sheet in connected relationship,

said side post means includes opposite edge sections extending in spaced relation to said inner surface,

a plurality of liners having a central wall forming an interior face and having side portions engaging said side post means for securement, and

at least a part of side portions extending over said edge sections being offset from said central wall, and

said side post means forms an interior surface, said interior surface being coplanar with said interior face.

26-31. (cancelled)

32 (currently amended) The side wall assembly according to Claim ~~25~~ ~~31~~ further including a projection ~~protuberance~~ arranged to extend from said central wall in contact with the side wall sheet.

33. (currently amended) The side wall assembly according to Claim 25 wherein a foam material is positioned between said central wall and said inner surface.

35-38. (cancelled)

39. (currently amended) The side wall assembly according to Claim 1 wherein said opposed vertical side portions extend to said central portion.

40. (currently amended) A sidewall assembly for a transporting vehicle comprising

at least one outer flat side sheet having an inner surface extending along a longitudinal axis,

a plurality of vertical side posts being affixed to said at least one outer side sheet in spaced relationship along said inner surface wall, said side posts having a flat inner wall lying in spaced relationship to said inner surface wall of said at least one side sheet,

said side posts further having a pair of bent edge sections lying on opposite vertical sides of said flat inner wall, said bent edge sections projecting from said flat inner wall toward said at least one said side sheet and, said bent edge sections having an edge terminating in spaced relationship to said inner surface,

a plurality of liners respectively extending between adjacent side posts, said liners having a flat central portion forming a generally flat interior face,

said liners having vertical side portions extending on opposite vertical sides of said central portion respectively for interconnecting with said bent edge sections of said side posts and said vertical side portions respectively extending beyond said edge to cover at least a portion of said bent edge sections, and

~~The side wall assembly according to Claim 1 wherein~~ each of said vertical side portions have a projection engaging said edge.

41 (currently amended) The side wall assembly according to Claim 40 wherein said projection forms a groove ~~[[slot]]~~ for receiving necessary said edge.

42. (previously presented) The side wall assembly according to claim 40 wherein said liners each include a cut-out area adjacent to said projection.

43. (currently amended) The side wall assembly according to Claim 40 [[1]] wherein said vertical side portions each include an edge portion having a projection engaging said bent edge sections.

44. (currently amended) A side wall assembly for a vehicle having an outer side wall comprising

side post means extending vertically along an inner surface of the outer side wall sheet in connected relationship,

said side post means includes opposite edge sections extending in spaced relation to said inner surface,

a plurality of liners having a central wall forming an interior face and having side portions engaging said side post means for securement, at least a part of side portions extending over said opposite edge sections, and

~~The side wall assembly according to Claim 25 wherein~~ said opposite edge sections include an end spaced from said inner surface, said side edge portions include respective projections engaging said end of said opposite edge sections.

45. (currently amended) The side wall assembly to Claim 44 wherein said at least part of said side portions include an end protuberance projection contacting said opposite edge sections.

46. (cancelled)

47. (currently amended) The side wall assembly according to Claim 25 ~~[[46]]~~
wherein said side portions form coplanar extensions of said interior face ~~surface~~.